

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 7, beginning at line 26 (the final partial paragraph on the page), please insert the following replacement paragraph:

The wax may be DENTSPLY® Utility Wax (Dentsply Prosthetics, York, PA), beeswax, emulsifying wax, microcrystalline wax, white wax, yellow wax, or other suitable pharmaceutical wax. The water-soluble or swellable polymer may be present in the insoluble wax layer at a concentration of 0.05 to 10% by weight. The water-soluble or swellable polymer may be tragacanth, polyvinyl pyrrolidone, polyvinyl alcohol, cross-linked polyacrylic acid, polyethylene glycol, a cellulose polymer derivative, or other suitable pharmaceutical polymer that is water-soluble or water-swellable. In the wax-film composite, the molecule of interest may be contained in and released from either the pH-sensitive mucoadhesive layer or the water-insoluble wax layer.